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Dysart asked to take bigger role in watershed health

JAMES MATTHEWS
Staff Reporter

We need to take better care of our environment.

Sounds simple enough spelled out like that. A sentence of less than 10 words. But it's quite clear, according to Geoff Ross of the Muskoka Watershed Council, how climate change is pushing the world beyond the effectiveness of previous environmental management practices.

Ross told Dysart township council during its July 23 meeting that much has transpired regarding enhanced environmental watershed management.

The council is a non-profit non-governmental organization with more than two decades of service to the Muskoka community.

It endeavours to protect watershed health by way of outreach and communication with the community. The council offers policy advice to municipalities and contributes environmental knowledge.

The council issues report cards periodically. The 2023 report card identified concerns about some health trends occurring in the watershed.

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Remembering Brent

EMILY STONEHOUSE
Staff Reporter

Everybody knew his name.

A politician, a friend, an ally, a son, a brother, a husband, a parent, a grandfather.

Brent Devolin was a man who wore many hats, and with each one, made his mark in the community. A community where everybody knew his name.

That's why, when news spread that Brent had died after a brief battle with a terminal brain disease, the community stood still. "He was truly a Jack of all trades," his daughter, Lauren Devolin, reflected on her dad. "And he was just that guy you could always call. For anyone, he was that guy."

The Devolin family shared that Brent came down with a sudden illness, which progressed quickly into a coma, and he never woke up. After five weeks of uncertainty, Brent passed away on July 22, 2024. He was 63 years old. "It's a horrible tragedy," said Brent's brother, Barry Devolin, when he spoke with the *Echo*. "We don't know how it started, and we never will. While that's frustrating, we do know that there is nothing we could have done differently to have a different outcome."

Many would know Brent from when he served on the Minden Hills municipal council, where he was first elected as Reeve in 2014, and served as Mayor until 2022. He was the Warden of Haliburton County in 2017.

"My dad always said he would stay in politics until he felt he had finished the little projects he had started to make our community better," said Lauren. "As soon as he was able to check those boxes, he was ready to step aside."

Some of Brent's work during his time in council included the renovations of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena, the Fire Hall, and additional housing initiatives throughout the community. Brent was heavily involved in EORN, the Eastern Ontario Regional Network, with the mandate to improve broadband access across the county. He was passionate about community organizations such as Minden Pride and the Snowmobile Association, and was a strong advocate for local businesses and arts, frequently supporting events held at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and the Community Centre.

Deputy Mayor Lisa Schell worked alongside Brent for eight years on Minden Hills Council. "I remember in the fall of 2013, going into Ridgewood Ford to talk to him about the possibility of him running for Reeve in the 2014 election," she recalled. "We were in turmoil at the township at the time, and I felt he would be a good choice for Minden Hills, and I was right."

Schell reflected on the loyalty and commitment Brent had for his constituents; serving on a variety of boards, committees, and volunteer organizations. "Although far too short, Brent leaves behind a legacy of a life well lived," she said, "loving and caring for his family, friends, and community. He was an all-around good human being."

"Brent was so proud when he became Reeve," said Barry. "He was so proud to be falling in his father-in-law's footsteps, and he really did always put Minden first. He loved Minden."

The Devolin family moved from Peterborough to Haliburton when Brent and Barry were young boys. Their father, Doug Devolin, became the principal for J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School for many years, and the family settled into the community. After graduating from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Brent married his high school sweetheart, Laurie. The two were married for 38 years, and raised a loving family together.

"He asked me out on the last day of school before the summer break," chuckled Laurie, "so I thought, 'okay, I guess we will kind of date through the summer, let's see where this goes.' And six years later, we were married."

"We were so compatible," she said. "I remember when we started dating, I just thought it was so fabulous to have someone to do all these fun experiences with." Laurie shared that Brent "lived for all kinds of fun activities," including camping, snowmobiling, skiing, and motorcycling.

She said he never shied away from trying new things, and was always open to novel experiences; traveling, exploring, and learning in different places. "And of course, we always dragged the kids to these things," laughed Laurie, referencing their three children; Kurran, Lauren, and Spencer. "And now, they have an appreciation of all these things as well."

Many who knew Brent would share that his family always came first. "He was very involved with his kids and his grandkids," said Barry, after a moment of quiet reflection. "Yes, he absolutely adored his grandchildren."

Brent Devolin is pictured with his granddaughter, AJ. /Submitted

Lauren said that she would often reach out to her dad whenever she needed a hand, and he would always pick up the phone. She shared that there were times all through her life; as a child, through her early twenties - during good times and bad - if she ever needed someone, she would always call her dad. "He was just the best dad," she said. "He taught me so many things; how to drive stick, how to change a tire, how to ski and snowboard. I just feel sad for all the things we are going to miss."

Traditions were an important part of the Devolin family, and Lauren recalled how her grandfather would always take her out for a birthday lunch each year; a tradition they had started with Brent and her own children, who are now ages three and one. "He always made the time," she said. "He would do whatever we needed at the drop of a hat."

"He was really in a sweet spot in life," said Barry, noting that since his retirement from local government, Brent had been dabbling in contracting. "Brent filled in all the gaps," he chuckled. "He was happy doing that; being a Jack of all trades. That's what's so sad about this. He was really enjoying this time in his life."

"He really did just love life," said Laurie. "He genuinely loved people, and he truly cared about people. When there was something or someone he believed in, he would fight for that. Tooth and nail."

The visitation for Brent will be held on Thursday, Aug. 8 from 5 until 8 p.m. at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home, followed by the funeral on Friday, Aug. 9 at 1 p.m. at Lakeside Baptist Church, with a reception after the service. The Devolin family will also be hosting a celebration of life on Friday, Aug. 23 at the Minden Arena, from 3 until 10 p.m. "Brent said he always wanted a big party," laughed Laurie.

As a writer, you are often told to keep your personal thoughts to yourself. When you work for a newspaper, the place for an opinion is in the editorial section, and a news article is hardly the spot for personal anecdotes.

But in a small town, when a larger than life figure passes on, it rattles the community. In a small town, a death isn't just a statistic to round off a timeline, not just a date on a tombstone, and never just a standard story in the news.

A death is the end of an era. It's a reminder to call your friends, to hug your loved ones, to think back on the many times you saw that face at a local hockey game, at the grocery store, or in the newspaper. It's a humbling reality that serves as a sign that life is fleeting; here today, gone tomorrow.

I had the opportunity to work alongside Brent, both with the Township of Minden Hills and as a journalist, and I can say that during those stints as colleagues, it was evident that his heart beat for his town, his friends, and above all, his family.

And he will be missed, especially in this community.

Where everybody knew his name.

Watershed management said to reduce costs

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"The watershed overall is in good health," Ross said. "It's wonderful (and) there are other jurisdictions around Ontario that would give anything to have the quality of watershed that we do. But there are things happening that are of concern."

The council has been pushing what's referred to as integrated watershed management as a promising response to environmental challenges created by climate change.

Integrated watershed management retains municipal autonomy and mandates and doesn't involve a new era of bureaucracy. Ross said integrated watershed management will reduce costs and improve environmental, economic, and social outcomes.

"There are groups that have suggested to the watershed council that this is just a pet project of the watershed council," Ross said. "Well, no. It is a project that is essential to all those who share the Muskoka River watershed."

Simply, it is essential to ensuring the health of that watershed.

"Without something like this, as I've said, the indicators are that we're in for rough times," he said.

The council is offering to help municipalities get started on a transition to integrated watershed management. As a matter of fact, there's no other organization in such a position to offer that help.

Once an integrated watershed management is in place for a municipality, you'll see the council backing away, Ross said.

"That is simply because we are primarily a group of community volunteers speaking to the science of watershed health," he said. "We have no intention of becoming the administrators of the plan."

For Dysart, that responsibility would go to the township's council.

The next summit on integrated watershed management practices will take place in Bracebridge on Oct. 4.

Management will be discussed as part of a larger theme of resilience to the environmental pressures faced by people and municipalities that share the Muskoka River.

The summit will target the broader community.

"So that everyone out there who is living in (and) sharing responsibility for the watershed will have a reason to be at that summit," Ross said.

To that end, Ross said the group is asking Dysart council to take a role in the move towards integrated watershed management.

"This isn't going to happen very soon," he said. "It'll like take between five to 10 years before all this gets put into place. There's a lot of preparatory work to do."

The first step is to send councillors to the October summit. Following that, the organization would like to get some monetary support next year.

"The watershed council is a grassroots organization that doesn't have a lot of money," he said. "We're proud of the amount of product we put out for very few dollars and the impact that product has."

Of the 13 municipalities that are within the Muskoka River watershed, there's only one that's completely inside it. The others are, like Dysart, partially within the watershed.

"Some more, some less (inside)," Ross said. "But it's a challenging mixture with that many lower tier municipalities and then the upper tier municipalities as well all sharing a part of this fabulous watershed."

All those who benefit socially and economically from the value of the watershed should contribute to managing the issues confronting it.

"You said it would reduce costs," said Mayor Murray Fearrey. "Tell me how that's going to happen."

"There are a lot of ways that can happen," Ross said.

> ***"Climate change is happening, whether we like it or not. We have to deal with it."***
>
> — Dysart Mayor Murray Fearrey

For example, the complexities of watershed science requires expertise to be consulted. Small municipalities generally can't afford to pay the fees required by highly educated and skilled experts, he said.

It would be more affordable if a collective solicits those professionals and a group of municipalities foots the bills.

"You will need that kind of expertise to help manage a watershed," Ross said. "You're better sharing it."

There are also questions of infrastructure, given how water moves and how climate change has been affecting that behaviour.

Quite simply, solutions may be prohibitively expensive for single municipalities.

Most of Dysart is within the Trent and Ganaraska River watersheds, which Fearrey said the township has little say over. He wondered what that says for staff hours that are paid for by residents.

"Because we're taxed to death here now, timewise," he said. "Money is one thing. We're looking at six per cent increases every year in taxation, and seven (per cent). I don't see any way out of that right now."

Ross previously said the council will walk away after their consulting role is fulfilled.

"The watershed council is volunteer," Ross said.

"I'm just afraid we're going to create another bureaucracy that we all contribute to that just spins its wheels all the time, like a lot of them do," Fearrey said. "Climate change is happening, whether we like it or not. We have to deal with it."

What often starts as a great volunteer effort becomes a costly bureaucracy that's difficult to get away from for municipalities.

Ross said lacking municipality participation weakens the overall plan and will deny Dysart information into what's happening in the watershed.

"A big part of integrated watershed management is getting together with your neighbouring municipalities and planning for and talking about and consulting with what you're doing jointly that deals with the watershed," Ross said.

"Right now, we've got a watershed which is a living entity and everything is connected, but we've got 13 different municipalities who are doing 13 different things to pieces of that watershed."

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Grants fill FEEL's bucket for children's programs

VIVIAN COLLINGS
Editor

Volunteers of the Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning stop for a photo in front of FEEL's new trailer to make the Children's Water Festival mobile thanks to Ontario Trillium Foundation grants. /VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff

The Haliburton - Muskoka - Kawartha Lakes Children's Water Festival has gone mobile thanks to Ontario government grants.

Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning (FEEL) has received two grants totaling $79,000 for the purchase of a covered trailer and to begin new strategic planning.

The first was a $13,000 Capital Ontario Trillium Foundation grant awarded over six months beginning last fall, and the second is a two- year $66,000 Resilient Communities Grant that began this spring.

Haliburton - Kawartha Lakes - Brock MPP Laurie Scott joined members of FEEL and Children's Water Festival volunteers on Wednesday, July 10 in Head Lake Park in Haliburton to check out the new trailer and celebrate the beginning of going mobile.

"Our government is proud to help Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning extend these important water care experiences to even more regional families, schools, and communities in the years to come," Scott said. "Together, we are building a future where children and communities understand, appreciate, and protect our precious water resources."

The Children's Water Festival has been running for the past 15 years as an event to encourage elementary school children from Trillium Lakelands District School Board to become water stewards.

The festival consists of hands-on activities to learn about water and the natural world around them.

"Whether it's helping people learn new things, connect with their community, or simply have fun, organizations like the Friends of Ecological and Environmental Learning deliver experiences that make a difference," said Stan Cho, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming. "That's why grant support through the Ontario Trillium Foundation is so important. This funding will help ensure that it remains at the heart of the community for decades to come."

It is held at Kinark Outdoor Centre every fall, but now, this event can be brought around the county.

"Initial trials of offering a few of their hands-on activities at public events and in partnerships with local libraries and the Kushog Lake Association went well. The trailer, additional staff time and fundraising plan involved in the OTF investment promise to carry important water care inspiring experiences to more regional families, schools, cottagers and regional communities in the seasons and years to come," said a FEEL press release.

With the second grant, they plan to begin a strategic plan and update fundraising strategies.

"FEEL's mission is to advance the public's awareness, understanding and appreciation of ecosystems through education. Their volunteers from within regional communities, secondary and post-secondary programs enjoy learning exchanges and connections in giving back to water that gives life."

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Strategy helps to find a way within County

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

There's much more to wayfinding than mere signage.

A successful wayfinding plan assesses and identifies sources of confusion in an environment. It's very much a process and is somewhat cyclical, said Stasia Stempski, the project team lead at pl.ural, a landscape architecture and design firm.

She updated county council July 24 on the progress to establish Haliburton County's wayfinding strategy.

Wayfinding is a means of navigating one's way through built and natural environments.

"It's about organizing various bits of information so that you're able to go from A to B," she said. "It's not just about sign design. It's a bit more about that overall system. Understanding where one wants to go, how are they finding that information, what is the support of that information along the way, and how do they know they've actually arrived at the other end?"

A successful plan identifies sources of confusion and assesses issues in the environment for a high quality communications solution.

"And you end up with a happy traveller because they've reached where they want to go," Stempski said.

The county's plan focuses on gateways and directional pieces that help travellers.

The effort began last fall and is comprised on three phases: Foundational research that included mapping of routes and soliciting stakeholder engagement; signage design and identifying their locations; and finally the implementation of the strategy.

The wayfinding strategy will ultimately result in the reinforcement of sense of place, identity, and interconnectedness while improving entry, orientation, and identification within Haliburton County.

Stempski said it's just as much for residents as it is for tourists to the area.

Pl.ural has provided the county with the framework for its wayfinding strategy based on a foundation that includes a thorough background and best practice review, an existing sign inventory and analysis, and stakeholder engagement results.

Priority has been assigned to significant tourism destinations and attractions, services and amenities in the four lower tier municipalities. Stempski suggested consideration be given to highlighting non-profit organizations that have destination appeal and any private businesses such as accommodation services.

"As we're working through a strategy, we might have some opportunities for new things," she said. "And new purposes for signs."

Highlighting and promoting tourism efforts throughout the county is the key piece of the strategy, she said.

"We're really trying to showcase Haliburton as a whole," she said. "So that is one of the overlying concepts for moving forward."

Stakeholders have identified the importance of highlighting such things as the last chance for motorists to get petrol, municipal boundaries, and boat launch locations.

"I don't know that I've come across a county with as many boat launches," Stempski said. "They are here, there, and everywhere, so that is going to be a little bit of a challenge."

She said branding is a main component to the wayfinding strategy. A style and consistency needs to be maintained across all signage to convey a unified identity.

"This isn't just the physical design," she said. "It also has to do with linking with other information sources such as (municipal and county) websites and printed materials and whatnot so that thread, the branding, is always part of the sales pitch."

There are also design standards and guidelines set by the Ministry of Transportation for signage that needs to be adhered to, she said.

Scott Ovell, the county's economic development and tourism director, said the wayfinding strategy would be funded by the new municipal services corporation from the county's portion of the accommodations tax generated from short-term rental operators.

"That organization would do a lot of the heavy lifting both from management of the contracts, implementation of the strategy, and ultimately the financial burden of implementing this program," he said. "It's a great use of those funds."

He said there's no expectation that the county or the lower tier municipalities will be hit up for money for wayfinding. There's not to be an additional burden on the tax levy.

"It would be solely funded through the accommodation tax," Ovell said. "This is really a three- to six- to seven-year program to implement."

Next year will be to flushing it out operationally before signs would go into the ground in 2026, he said.

"That would be subject to the MAT (municipal accommodation tax) funds being available to us," he said.

Councillor Murray Fearrey, the mayor of Dysart, said the bill for the wayfinding strategy is tallied at $688,000.

"Does anybody realize that we're in a recession?" he said. "Building permits in Barrie are down for housing at 40-something per cent. Dysart is down 60 per cent. You may look at your building permits and say, Oh boy the numbers are there. But the numbers are not there for million dollar cottages. They're there for decks and there for garages."

Fearrey said the construction industry is in trouble, and that's the industry that drives Haliburton County's economy.

"They're the ones that pay the wages and they're the ones that create the jobs," he said.

He's spoken to a number of contractors who say they're working on projects started last year. Further, Fearrey said those contractors say there are no new jobs on the horizon for this year.

"The county gets its money from the municipalities who get the growth," Fearrey said. "Whether we like it or not, some of these things are nice to do. But are they necessary?"

"We're not asking that county council dedicate any tax base supported money to this," said Gary Dyke, the county's CAO. "It's purely through the MAT tax for consideration of council as we go forward."

"We have a fulltime staff and a tourism information booth telling people where to go and where to travel," Fearrey said, and added that he doesn't think the strategy is a necessity.

"I don't like to spend money that I don't have yet," said Coun. Bob Carter, Minden Hills' mayor.

The MAT hasn't been collected yet and there's only speculation about how much money will go into local coffers from it.

"What are the other competing projects for those dollars and how much are those dollars going to be?" Carter said. "That's my concern about you pushing too far forward on this, is how all this is going to work because it's a lot of money."

"We have an opportunity to pre-plan for something," Dyke said. "It's going to sit there and when we are ready to move forward with it, we have design, we have agreement on location. The strategy is actually sitting there waiting to be used."

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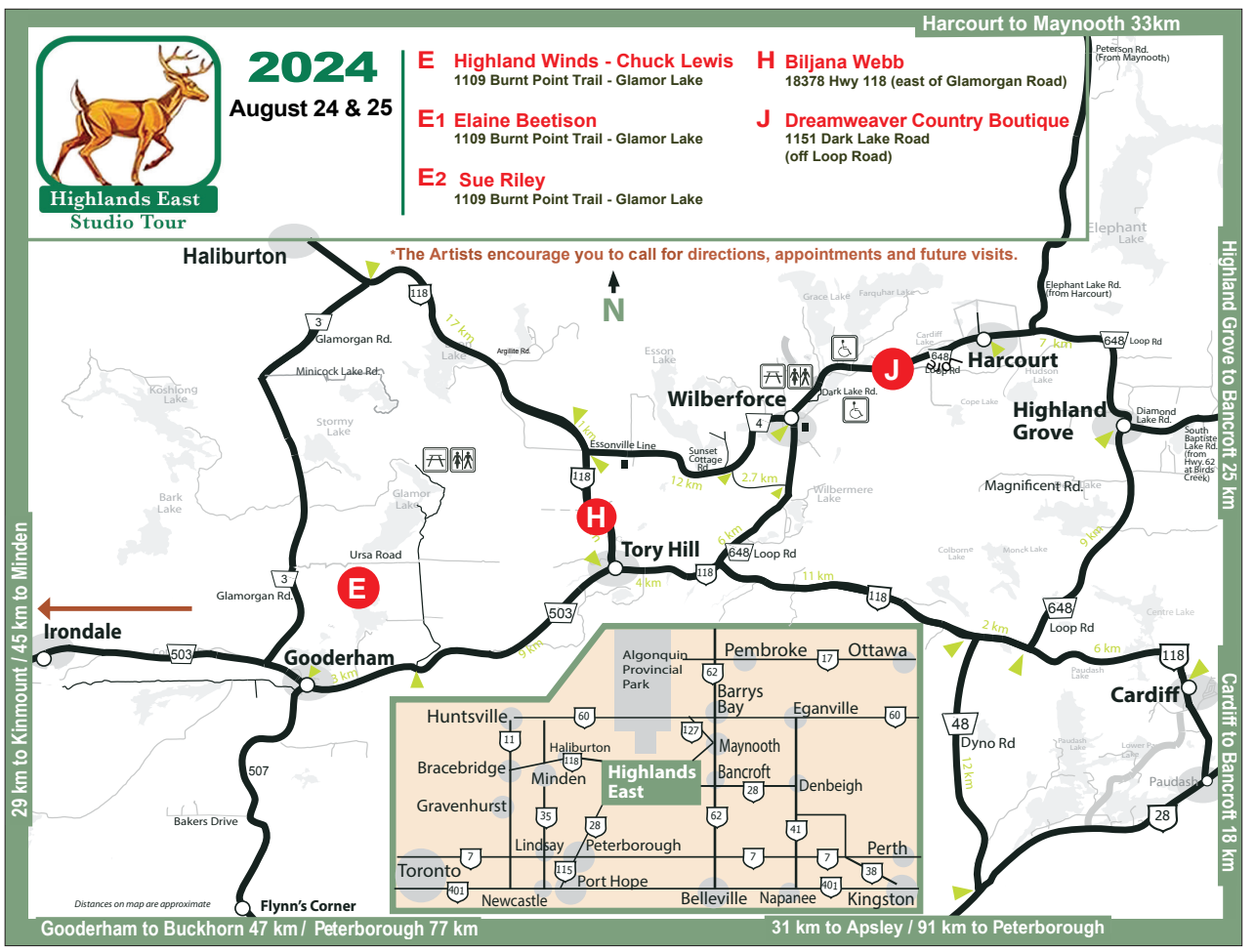

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Editorial

A country ablaze

CANADA'S ON fire again.

The government predicted a high fire risk at the beginning of the year for the country.

It seems we got lucky for a while this spring and early summer.

Smoke from distant fires didn't filter the sunlight and fill our lungs like last year.

In Jasper, Albera, so far one third of the town's structures have been destroyed.

It's one of 237 active fires in Alberta right now.

British Columbia as 375 active fires. The Northwest Territories has 93.

There are 948 burning in the country in total.

vivian collings

The Jasper fire alone has already burned 32,000 hectares of beautiful Rocky Mountain forest.

A crew of Ministry of Natural Resources stanhope forest firefighters has just returned from fighting the blazes there where 25,000 people had evacuated.

We haven't had any poor air quality statements yet here, but the sky has been pretty hazy the past few days.

News outlets say smoke is spreading across all of North America.

We've been saved by so much rain this season that we haven't had a total fire in the county yet.

We're still limited to night time burning.

Campfires can only be had between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Last year, Canada saw a record-breaking fire season.

It was the most destructive year ever recorded in history.

The norm is 2.5 million hectares of destruction each year, and 2023 saw 16.5 million according to Natural Resources Canada.

"The word 'unprecedented' doesn't do justice to the severity of the wildfires in Canada this year," said Yan Boulanger, research scientist in forest ecology at Natural Resources Canada. "From a scientific perspective, the doubling of the previous burned area record is shocking."

So what does it mean for the rest of this year and each fire season going forward?

It seems to be too early to completely judge this year yet. We have to wait for the end of the season for data to be gathered properly.

Many scientists say it's another side effect of climate change.

Hot temperatures dry out vegetation, and strong lightning storms ignite fires in a millisecond.

The wind from those storms carry the fires further and make them stronger, like blowing oxygen on a campfire.

What can we do now?

To help Alberta and the Jasper area specifically, visit www.alberta.ca/how-you-can-help-with-wildfire-response for wildfire assistance opportunities, or donate to the Red Cross.

Jasper had a population of about 4,500 people, similar to each of our little towns in Haliburton County.

Remember, we're surrounded by burnable forest, too.

Make sure you follow the daytime fire ban guidelines.

When starting a fire, make sure there is a close water source and away from ground vegetation and tree branches.

Ensure the fire and embers are completely extinguished before leaving a campsite.

We certainly don't want to experience what so many are suffering through out west.

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Our road Down

Critters

sharon lynch

JIM WATCHED as the buck ambled down his neighbour's driveway. Starting two years ago as a fawn, the animal had then sprouted antler 'buds' the first spring. Now it had an eight-point rack and was a truly magnificent looking creature. Picking its way across the gravel it was headed for the feed thrown on the ground.

The week before while driving home Jim had seen a young doe limping up an embankment. He guessed its injury was the result of a run-in with a vehicle. Feeling sad for the creature, he doubted it would be able to avoid predators once the snow came. But winter was two seasons away and Jim didn't want to dwell on the thought.

Instead he was happy to enjoy the moment. Living in the country meant living with the critters who were there long before he was. The skunk that visited his backyard looking for grubs or the fox that trotted past the house on a moonlit night: these were also his neighbours.

In Jim's opinion, respect for nature had to be taught. His dad always said it was easier to care about something the more you knew about it. For Jim, that meant small things like not letting a caught bass flop around in the rowboat as it struggled to survive. A quick hand movement to break its neck was more humane, his dad demonstrated. Watching caterpillars become butterflies or small beaks breaking through sky-blue egg shells were some of what Jim saw as a child.

Sometimes Jim wasn't aware of what was right in front of him until his father pointed it out. Those painful deer and horse flies were also food to bigger creatures. And those creatures in turn fed larger ones. It was the way the natural world worked, dad explained. Everything was connected.

For the past week a cat had been hanging around Jim's place. It looked a bit scrawny, its fur dull, eyes wary. With the recent hot weather, his backyard pond had almost dried up, turning from a shimmering green that sparkled in the sunlight to a mud hole. No water there for wayward cats or the peepers that had given his spring nights a special sound. So Jim had started putting out a bowl of water for the sad-looking feline. Somewhere in the back of his mind he guessed the cat would probably be moving into the garage and then maybe even the house. Just not yet. The timing was wrong.

Thinking of water and the pond got Jim contemplating the duck family that made the pond their home every spring. Although the water was now all but gone, the ducks were still there in the tall grasses that circled the wet spot. He had seen the female Mallard shepherding her ten ducklings over the water's surface while she watched for danger. The babies had been little more than dark dots on the green surface back then. Now they looked almost fully grown but were still hanging around with mum.

Animals hanging out together had always appealed to Jim. One summer he had managed to catch a glimpse of several raccoon – probably a family – by the river. They had been washing the rest of the fish his dad had left out for them before eating it. And there they were, crouched part-way in the water, washing and talking to each other in those wonderful raccoon gurgles and chirps that echoed through the warm summer night.

Enough of this trip down memory lane Jim thought, grabbing the shovel leaning against the side of the shed. If he wanted a new fence around the garden, he had better get at it. The critters were in no hurry to see it go up but that wasn't going to stop Jim. He had been lucky so far – his tomato plants were still intact but he knew that could change any time.

Then he saw a flash of black and knew the stray cat was there in the tall grasses. Maybe a mouse or vole was about to become a meal. Jim guessed it would probably be sooner rather than later before he had a new house guest.

points of view

Exact change please

LAST WEEK I shaved off my beard unintentionally. Shaving my beard off accidentally is something I do every now and then. Usually, when I am not paying full attention to lighting my barbecue.

This is the kind of thing we men do not talk about very often, mostly because we are not comfortable with admitting we are bad at lighting barbecues.

On the plus side, we are also nothing if not optimists.

In my case, this meant I was able to look at my newly shorn face and say, "It's OK. A lot of good-looking people have no chin."

Later, when I stepped out of the washroom, Jenn confirmed this too.

I pointed to my new look and said, "Well, what do you think?"

She quickly replied, "You look like a bus driver."

It was even better than I thought.

She did not specify if that meant school bus, Greyhound, city bus, or tour bus – so I was left wondering. All I really knew was that it was good any way you sliced it.

steve galea

Loon Tales

I mean, in the world of the manly, bus drivers are right up there with lumberjacks, fighter pilots, astronauts and Special Forces operators. After all, if you can drive a bus, you can drive just about anything.

My uncle Angie was a TTC bus driver for many years – and, although he never wore facial hair (he had reached his quota on hair from the neck down) he was, and still is, a rugged fellow. He loved driving a bus too. So much so that long after he retired, he would still instinctively pull into every bus stop and open his car door.

My point is driving a bus combines all the things men secretly yearn to do: driving big vehicles, ignoring backseat drivers, wearing sunglasses, being in control of when doors open and close, and going to all sorts of places without ever once having to ask for directions.

Also, I think you can tell a lot about how well a profession is regarded by the number of songs written about it.

Bus driving has inspired a heap of classic songs like, "Hey Bus Driver Speed Up a Little Bit", "The Wheels On The Bus" and, of course, "Back o da Bus" by Limp Bizkit.

Curiously, no one has ever written a song about writing humour columns…

I won't lie to you. When I am driving my car all alone, I sometimes imagine I am driving a bus. This was a lot easier to do when my kids were young and didn't have driver's licences.

Those days are long gone though. Now I am too old to join the illustrious ranks of the fraternity of bus drivers. So, I guess you could say I missed the bus on that.

But that doesn't mean I can't live the glamourous bus driver life. Heck, if I look like a bus driver, I might as well act like a bus driver.

That's why later that afternoon when Jenn and I were going into town, as soon as she got in my car, I nodded curtly at her, thus showcasing my impeccably trimmed bus driver's moustache, and said, "Next stop Haliburton" while tapping my finger on the ticket box I just made.

Sadly, Jenn wouldn't pay or play.

Which, any way you look at it, was no fare.

pic *of the* **past**

A PHOTO OF downtown Gooderham in 1912. /FILE

The Grand Ole Opry comes to Highlands Summer Festival

To share the Opry's history is to share the story of Country Music. Canadian songbird Leisa Way and her all-star Canadian cast of award-winning musicians are guaranteed to give audiences a show to remember. Under the musical direction of Bruce Ley, composer of the Academy Award nominated film, The Painted Door), Opry Gold raises the roof, celebrating revered country legends and the contemporary artists who have topped the charts and followed in their footsteps. And you can see Opry Gold with Leisa Way & The Wayward Wind Band live in Haliburton from Sun. Aug. 4 to Thursday, Aug. 8 (five concerts).

Way and her band have brought Canada many great concerts, including last years world premiere of Early Morning Rain (The Legend of Gordon Lightfoot) and audience favourite, Across the Pond (The British Invasion). Way's Canada 150 concert toured to 44 cities across the country, and Sweet Dreams (Patsy Cline), and Rhinestone Cowgirl (Dolly Parton), are critically acclaimed and well-loved by audiences everywhere. And now, Way celebrates the legendary stars of the Grand Ole Opry by raising the roof with the hottest country songs from the last few decades.

The Grand Ole Opry began as a simple radio broadcast in 1925, and is now a live entertainment phenomenon. Opry Gold takes the audience on that journey, when Nashville's radio station WSM became the first all country music station featuring stars like Bill Monroe, and The Carter Family, through the rise of stars like Dolly Parton, Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, George Jones and Tammy Wynette, to today's great country stars like Shania Twain, Keith Urban, Taylor Swift, Garth Brooks, and The Zac Brown Band. Show creator Leisa Way (who was recently awarded the Toronto Musician of the Year award and graced the cover of International Musician Magazine), grew up in northern Ontario, surrounded by country music. Way spent six years in the Maritimes starring as "Anne" in *Anne of Green Gables* at the Charlottetown Festival, and spent the next 25 years touring the country in musicals and plays. With Opry Gold, she returns to her roots. As a child, Leisa remembers tuning in to shows like *The Tommy Hunter Show* and *Ronnie Prophet Show* – both TV shows that her musical arranger and pianist, Bruce Ley, happened to be the piano player on! Bruce has played for artists like Dolly Parton, Chet Atkins & Brenda Lee amongs hundreds of others. Her multi-talented band includes Ley, along with vocalist/guitarist Brant Garratt (rising star vocalist with Duke Street Turnaround, and incredible flat-picking guitarist); Al Braatz on bass (vocalist, musician and lead actor in the film That is All, winner of best feature film in the Toronto Independent Film Festival in 2019); Toronto big band and theatre player Don Reid on drums, and recent Humber College grads Jack Gaughan and Alex George (Natalie McMaster), are rising talents on the music scene. Jack is a guitarist/vocalist from Huntsville who made headlines at age 13 when he covered Stevie Ray Vaughn's Grammy nominated instrumental song *Rude Mood*; and Alex is a fiddler from near Ottawa, who has worked with Natalie McMaster and is an up-and-coming rising star in the Canadian music scene. When these fellas vocalize, the audience is treated to world-class harmonies and solos.

Leisa Way's Opry Gold delivers audiences some of the very best of classic and new wave country, with a heapin' of good-natured fun!

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For tickets contact: 1-855-457-9933 or go to www.highlandssummerfestival.on.ca

Submitted

Green burial site comes to St. Stephens

THOMAS SMITH

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Green Burial Society (HHGBS), Algonquin Highlands and Fleming College's Haliburton School of Art and Design have teamed up to bring a green burial gazebo to St Stephens Cemetery in Algonquin Highlands. The course, with around 16 students, is instructed by Glenn Diezel of Diezel Woodworks.

"This is getting exciting because it has been such a long-time idea, and now it is becoming a reality, so it is an exciting week for us," said Terry Moore, president of the HHGBS.

Salt Spring Island was the first entirely green burial cemetery to open in Canada. Willow's Rest, a green burial cemetery in Niagara Falls was also looked to for inspiration.

The structure is a 12' by 12' gazebo that will act as a welcoming space. It is intended to provide a space of contemplation on your loved ones lives, educational information regarding green burials, and to shelter visitors from rain and sun during interments and other events.

With green burials, there are no additives to your body during the embalming process, you are directly buried into the ground. Typically, your body is placed in a biodegradable coffin shaped basket or an unfinished wood coffin.

"Cremation sends pollution into the atmosphere," said Moore. "It takes the human body and treats it as something that needs to be disposed of."

Cremation has become the standard burial process in Haliburton County. Typically, around 70 to 80 per cent of bodies are cremated, said Moore. The ashes that remain after cremation are toxic to plants. With all the metals and salts in your body, it essentially becomes highly acidic and salty bone meal.

"Over 360,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide are put into the air annually," said Moore in a presentation by the HHGBS at the Dysart Library on Nov. 23 of last year.

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> — Terry Moore, HHGBS president

Another method of burial that is making rounds is aquamation. Aquamation is a process in which a body is dissolved in water, lye, and heat.

"What happens is all the nutrients are flushed down the drain," said Moore. "Down the drain, into the water system."

A week ago, the footings got put in. There were a number of people walking, biking, and driving by who stopped to see what was happening. It was amazing," said Moore. At the Home and Cottage show this year, the HHGBS showed sketches of their structure and received highly positive feedback. Moore has also reached out to churches in the area and has only received positive feedback, with the desire to reach out to more congregations in the future.

Plots are sold by the township for the green burial area in St. Stephens Cemetery. Graves are not marked and there are strict guidelines for bodies to be buried as green burials. The Green Burial Society of Canada has key tenets that include that the body is not embalmed, the body is placed in a natural, biodegradable basket or shroud, the casket must be placed without a concrete liner or vault,a simple memorialization, and that the site is left in a natural indigenous state. Just like the methods of green burials, the gazebo will have very little metal that goes into the construction and it will be held together with wooden pegs.

Moore described green burials as an opportunity for people to return to nature. It is encouraged to consider green burials as a process of rebirth, continuing the inescapable life cycle we all face. Green burials also provide the opportunity for rehabilitation of land lost to human use. Currently the township has not decided whether they will plant native plant species throughout the green burial area, or if they will stop cutting the grasses and allow nature to reclaim the area.

"What we have got has been enthusiasm," said Moore. "There has not been a whiff of push back."

As green burials become practiced more often and become mainstream, it will likely become more practical and become a cheaper option. So far, the HHGBS, a nonprofit offshoot of the NGO Environment Haliburton, has only had success in advocating for sections of cemeteries to be dedicated to green burials in Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East. A green burial section will be hopefully opening at Deer Lake Cemetery later this year. So far, the group has not had luck in either Minden Hills or Dysart.

"It is a conversation starter, but not a conversation ender," said Moore. Several of the students that are taking the course have already taken information on green burials home to their loved ones and have become connected to the project, said Moore.

The initial assembly of the structure for green burials at St. Stephens cemetery took place on Saturday July 27. Some delays involving construction required final assembly to be completed on Monday, July 29.

For more information on green burials in Haliburton County, visit the HHGBS website at http://www.haliburtongreenburial.ca/. Terry Moore is also involved with Seniors for Climate Action Now (SCAN!) which can be found at https://seniorsforclimateactionnow.org/.

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Haliburton gals hit the green

VIVIAN COLLINGS

Editor

The Gals on the Green stop for a photo before teeing off. /Photo submitted

A new women's golf league has taken to the courses this year.

Haliburton Gals on the Green began in the spring when Nicole Baumgartner and Kayla Gardiner saw a gap in golfing opportunities for beginners.

"We started it because we're both pretty new to golf. We felt that when we joined other parties, we held up the teams a little bit, which makes you feel like you can't take the time to develop the skills," said Gardiner.

More than that, it's a way to connect with other women in the community and work on something together.

"Our primary goal is inclusivity. We want every one of you to feel welcomed whether you're an experienced golfer or picking up clubs for the first time. It's an opportunity to meet new people, socialize, network, and enjoy some time out of the house," Gardiner said.

Since beginning, the league regularly has about 20 players each week.

They tee off at the Pinestone Resort Golf Course at 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday, but they ask everyone to arrive 15 minutes early.

Golfers play in pairs, so single players will be matched up with another single player to be able to mingle with other community members.

"The best thing about this is that it can be drop in, or you can sign up weekly. We appreciate that all of our lives are pretty busy, so you can come as often or as little as you can," Gardiner said.

Parties of four play best ball for nine holes, and there is a shotgun start.

"So whoever hits the ball furthest is the ball that everyone plays from. We try to mix the teams so that at least one player has more experience and can offer some guidance."

It's $40 per player each Wednesday which includes cart and green fees.

To sign up, visit Haliburton Gals on the Green on Facebook and click on their sign up sheet or email kayla@bonnieviewinn.com.

All ages 16 and over are welcome.

"We've had someone as young as 17 as well as some 70 year olds. It's great that we all get to come together as a community," Gardiner said.

Next week's theme is "best dressed", so players and teams are encouraged to dress up and bring things to decorate their golf carts, too.

There is also a raffle for a bottle of wine to be won each week.

There are different games and sponsored holes each week, which is an additional three prizes.

"We do longest putt, longest drive, and then another fun game at one of the holes. We also do something called the Rhubies awards which is sponsored by Rhubies in Carnarvon. That goes to the person that's new to golf and are really putting themselves out there," Gardiner said.

The league will play until Thanksgiving of this year, and organizers plan to host a banquet at the end of the season.

"We're excited to see you on the course and look forward to a great golf season, great camaraderie, and fun."

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Children's Grassroots Soccer

Jude Williams - 7 to 9 Boys Royal Blue team. He played a great game and participated the whole time.

Miller Brown - Jade Boys 7 to 9

Matthew Foisy, 4 to 6 boys Cali Blue team - Matthew was new to our team this week and settled in perfectly! He played hard and worked with his teammates. "My favourite thing about soccer is playing with my friends and getting goals."

Makinley Annis listened to her team mates and coaches while on the field. She made incredible passes and always came back to help out on defence. Great work stopping all those breakaways and shots!

Quinten Clark - 7 to 9 Boys Yellow

Reece Wood - Black 10 to13 - Scored the only and winning goal and worked well with her team! Always smiling and shows a love for the game.

Sophie Trautman-Coyle Red 10 13 - Why do you love soccer?
"Making new friends."

County enters new building funding agreement

JAMES MATTHEWS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton County has a clearer idea of what it will have to work with former federal gas tax money.

Andrea Robinson, the county's corporate services director, brought figures for infrastructure money for Haliburton County over the next five years of a new 10-year agreement.

The last municipal funding agreement expired at the end of March. The new agreement covers a 10-year term to March 31, 2034.

There's a new requirement for lower tier municipalities with 30,000 residents or more as of the 2021 Census to conduct a housing needs assessment.

"The county does not qualify to have to meet that requirement," she said.

Haliburton County's allocated funding for this year is $646,754. The county will get $673,702 in 2025 and 2026, followed by $700,650 in 2027 and 2028.

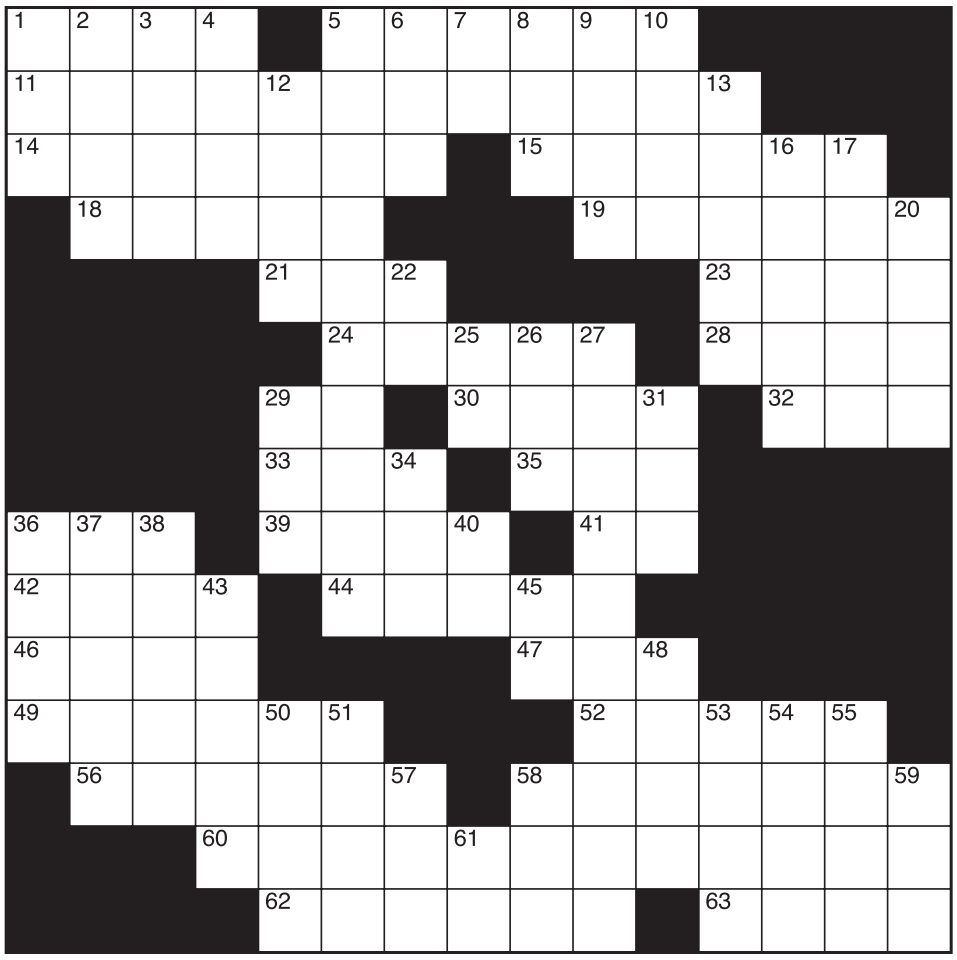
As a measure to help communities fund the construction and restoration of priority infrastructure projects, the federal government introduced the Federal Gas Tax Fund in the 2005 federal budget. The program, renamed to Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) in 2021, was initially rolled out as an interim funding allocation to municipalities.

As a result of its successful impact on communities, CCBF has continued to be a predictable funding source of more than $2 billion each year across Canada.

Administration of the CCBF in Ontario is executed by agreement between the government of Canada, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, City of Toronto, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

The AMO distributes funding to Ontario municipalities, except to Toronto, based on population. For municipalities that operate under two tiers, 50 per cent of the total funding for the region or county is allocated to the upper tier municipality. The other half is given to the lower tier municipalities based on population.

The per capita distribution is adjusted every five years when new census data is released.



CLUES ACROSS
1. Nasal mucus
5. Hairs on the back of a dog
11. Ones who build anew
14. Consume too much food
15. Praised
18. Provides weapons
19. Become less lively
21. Engine additive
23. Thought or suggestion
24. South Korean city
28. Midday rests
29. Expression of acidity or alkalinity
30. Group of rockers
32. Very fast airplane
33. One who is paid to do something
35. Buzzing insect
36. Monotheistic religion founder
39. Strong dark beer
41. Blood type
42. Square measures
44. Honorific titles in NW Semitic languages
46. Present
47. Afflict in mind or body
49. Duty
52. Municipality in Stockholm
56. In a normal way
58. Rode a bicycle
60. Charitable
62. Verandas
63. Uncredited

CLUES DOWN
1. No seats available
2. Russian river
3. A European river
4. Phrase
5. Idol
6. Keyboard key
7. Prefix indicating mutual
8. Kilometers per hour
9. Set an example
10. ItÕs among the "Great" ones
12. VVV
13. Murdered
16. Icelandic poems
17. Seas
20. Famed cartoonist
22. Partner to "MaÓ
25. Equal to one quintillion bytes
26. Speak incessantly
27. Disquiet
29. Parts per billion (abbr.)
31. Upper-class young woman (abbr.)
34. S. American plant
36. Monetary unit of Thailand
37. Regions
38. Baseball legend Yogi
40. Ancient Egyptian notion of spiritual part of humans
43. Fishing net
45. Tinseltown
48. MacBeth's wife was one
50. Took a spill
51. Adversary to pets
53. Town in Galilee
54. Secret racist society (slang)
55. About aviation
57. Longing or yearning
58. Hawaiian dish
59. Field force unit
61. Partner to "Pa"

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And then along came Will, don't'cha know

Maybelle's

Fireside stories

DEAR READER,

Why, if 'ol Maybelle didn't get a request from my very good friends: Twindle Mumbly, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom (Mc B for short, and he's anything but), Sybil Beaucannon Hughes, Vilma Yucch and Beanpole Starkman to spotlight right here in my column, Will Mittdens, the sweetest, kindest, most generous person who lives right here in Lake WhaddayathinkImean, don'tcha know.

I mean, how many folks do you know who are so full of light, you need to wear sunglasses while talking to them? Why, Will and I spoke for a full hour the other day and I'm still needing to squint.

You'd think that he lived in his own little bubble, away from the troubling news of the world, because his smile is always ready to shine on anyone and everyone in Lake W. But, wouldn't you know, politics is one subject we were flapping our lips about most. No, Will has been blessed with a huge chunk of inner joy that any amount of bad news seems unable to quash.

Now, ol' Maybelle doesn't get impressed easily and neither do my good friends. In fact, we all seem to have a built-in B.S. Meter and can tell right off if somebody is sincere or not. Will Mittdens is the real deal, all right. The real deal.

Why he even puts out a pitcher of water beside a cozy wooden bench under an ol' shady tree right there in front of his house for anyone walking by, sweltering on a hot summer day who could use a bit of sustenance before continuing on. WHO DOES THAT? Will Mittdens, does.

Now, the reason I stopped by to see him the other day was to see how his vegetable patches were doing with all the rain we've been having here in Lake W, don'tcha know. And, ol' Maybelle could see with my own eyes, that his garden is flourishing. But, then…he does have a green thumb, don'tcha know. Why his beanstalks are so tall, you'd think his name was JACK!

You see, ol' Maybelle's garlic grew in a whole month early because of all the rain we've been having. Why I broke off the garlic scapes about six weeks ago now. Yep. And I made two whole jars of yummy garlic scape pesto. You wouldn't want to get too close to me after I've eaten some, however.

Now, normally, Beanpole helps me harvest the garlic at the end of July. But, as providence would have it, Vilma Yucch came by three weeks ago asking if she could have a couple bulbs, because she was fresh out of garlic and smack dab in the middle of cooking a recipe that needed some.

"Sure, go pick 'em!" I said. And let me tell you, it's a darn good thing she did because one of the bulbs was just fine; but, the other was kinda mushy down near the roots. So, I put out an S.O.S. to Beanpole who came by the next day and helped me harvest the whole lot of 'em.

As it turned out, about 10% of the crop was ruined, the rest, beautiful, don'tcha know. Definitely worth planting this year.

Now, my good friend, Darling Smith, (yep, that's her real name), told me that the rain caused her lettuce to grow leggy and was inedible. But, most of the folks I know who grew veggies this year are happy with their crops.

Back to Will Mittdens. His birthday is coming up and I just want to give a big shout out to him from me and some of his biggest fans: Twindle, Vilma, Sybil, Officer McB, and Beanpole. Oh, and my pet bear, Bogart. Thank you, Will, for being who you are: a truly fine person, thoughtful and caring, and always there for others with a positive word and a twinkle in your eye, don'tcha know.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. "Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You," 21 of Maybelle's best short stories, and "Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon" (a novel) is now available at www.amazon.com.

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TUESDAY AUGUST 20TH
DRAG STORYTIME – MINDEN
Time:: 3:00 pm
Location: Minden Library
VOICE OF PRIDE ART EXHIBITION RECEPTION
Time: 5:00pm
Location: Minden Hills Cultural Centre

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21ST
YOUTH PRIDE DAY
Time: 11:00 -2:00pm
Location: Haliburton Youth Wellness Hub 12 Dysart Ave., Haliburton
QUEER COMEDY NIGHT
Time: 7:00
Location: Sir Sams Ski and Bike/ Eagle View

THURSDAY AUGUST 22ND
DRAG STORYTIME – HALIBURTON
Time: 3:00 pm
Location: Haliburton Library
QUEER TRIVIA NIGHT
Time: 7:00
Location: The Dominion Hotel, Minden

FRIDAY AUGUST 23RD
FAMILY MOVIE MATINEE
Time: 1:00-3:00
Location: Minden Cultural Centre
BURLESQUE BALL – DECO-DANCE
Time: 7:00pm Location: Pinestone Resort

SATURDAY AUGUST 24TH
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Time: 1:00 – 4:00pm
Location: Hook Line and Sinker, Haliburton

SUNDAY AUGUST 25TH
RAINBOW STREET FESTIVAL 2023
Time: 11:00 – 3:00pm
Location: Water Street
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NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING
COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

- **DATE:** Wednesday, August 14th, 2024
- **TIME:** 11:00 am.
- **LOCATION:** The Committee of Adjustment meeting will be held in the Council Chambers and electronically via Zoom. The meeting will be live streamed to YouTube.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-2024-014 1194055 Ontario Inc.

   - The following variance is requested to permit increased lot coverage located on a lot in the R1 zone:

     a) A variance to section 5.2 to permit a maximum lot coverage to be 23% as opposed to the permitted maximum of 15%.

   - Location: Part Lot 14, Concession 8, Lot 24, Plan 623 in the Geographic Township of Dysart, in the Municipality of Dysart et al.
     Roll No. 012-000-04371
     Civic Address: Halbiem Crescent

2. D13-MV-2024-015 Boss

   - The following variance is requested to increase the height of a legal non-complying seasonal dwelling on a lot in a WR4 zone:

   - a) A variance to Section 3.19(a)(v) to permit the height of a legal non-complying seasonal dwelling within 10 metres of the high water mark to increase 1.2 metres (3.9 feet) as opposed to the required 0 metres (0 feet) so the total structure height is 5.9 metres (19.4 feet).

   - Location: Part Lots 12 and 13, Concession 4, Lot 28, Plan 350, Parts 2, 4 to 7, Plan 19R8459 in the Geographic Township of Harburn, in the Municipality of Dysart et al.
     Roll No. 050-000-18000
     Civic Address: 1245 Sullivan Road

FOR MORE INFORMATION about electronic meetings and public participation in an electronic meeting, contact the Deputy Secretary-Treasurer at ameijer@dysartetal.ca.

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by an agent for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence, and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept oral and written submissions.

A COPY OF THE DECISION will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary-Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, and electronic meeting process is available from the Planning and Land Information Department at the Municipal Office by appointment only (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Jeff Iles
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment

Festivities in the park

Artist Marleen Campbell's booth was popular at the iconic annual Haliburton Art and Craft Festival in Head Lake Park in Haliburton from Friday, July 26 to Sunday, July 28. Visitors browsed through the booths of 100 artists and artisans. /TIM YANO Special to the *Echo*

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#4: POP-UP PERFORMANCE
August 16th |
7:30-9:00pm
Northern Lights Pavilion,
Haliburton

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#2: POP GOES THE OPERA
August 7th |
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#3: HOMECOMING:
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Doreen Rae (Nee Iles)

Resident of Haliburton, Ontario

The Rae family wishes to announce the peaceful passing of our mother, grandma, great-grandma, aunt and friend at Extendicare Haliburton on Saturday, July 27, 2024, at the age of 88 years. Doreen was predeceased by her parents Jim and Dora Iles, her beloved husband Grant, brother Joe Iles, and sisters Valerie Moore and Dorell Iles. Loving mother of Mike (Alison) and Scott (Sue); grandma of Kirsten (Jason Ouellette), Matt (Jessica), John (Katie) and great-grandma to Carter, Cash, Cooper and Stella. Doreen and Grant owned the Dominion Department store on the Main Street in Haliburton for many years. Doreen was a long-time employee of Haliburton IGA/Foodland. She loved to knit, quilt, and do jigsaw puzzles. The family would like to express their deep gratitude for the care shown to Doreen by the dedicated staff of Extendicare Haliburton.

Celebration Of Life

In keeping with her wishes, cremation has taken place. Please join our family in a Celebration of Doreen's Life to be held in **THE COMMUNITY ROOM** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario on Thursday, August 1, 2024 to visit with the family from 1-3 pm. As an expression of sympathy, those wishing to make a memorial donation, please consider the Extendicare Proud Pioneers or Food for Kids Haliburton. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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Rookies

Local fishing team gets honours from national league

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Looking

Left, Tom Regina, as Andy sits beside Carl Dixon, as Matt, during the Highlands Summer Festival play, *Looking*. The two-act comedy on finding love and challenges with relationships is directed by Ralph Small and is running during the week with the last show on Thursday, July 28. Go to page 18 for more.
Darren Lum Echo staff

Highland Street to get makeover

Rebecca Potter
Special to the *Echo*

Rick Johnson, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP, announced July 12 that the core of Haliburton's downtown will be refurbished to help satisfy growing needs and boost the economy.

This revitalization will include improving roads and curbs, bringing in new vehicle and pedestrian lighting, along with interlocking brick sidewalks and updated drainage, buried communication utilities and electrical support.

"I'm extremely pleased to make the announcement today, it's going to be great for the downtown. I know we've been talking about this for a couple of years," said Johnson.

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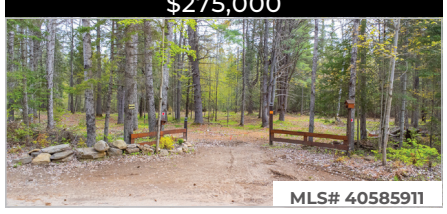

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ELEPHANT LAKE RD
$48, 925

MLS# 40579751

KENNISIS LAKE
$895,000

MLS# 40569786

DRAG LAKE
$650,000

MLS# 40603981

TORY HILL
$419,000

MLS#40615572

CANNING LAKE
$2,225,000

MLS# 40572066

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